

# Arkansas

## Broiler Hatchery

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### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 10 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 26.3 million during the week ending December 15, 2007. Placements were up 10 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and up 2 percent from the previous week. The placements included 4.4 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week were 24.1 million, up 5 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up slightly from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 1.8 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

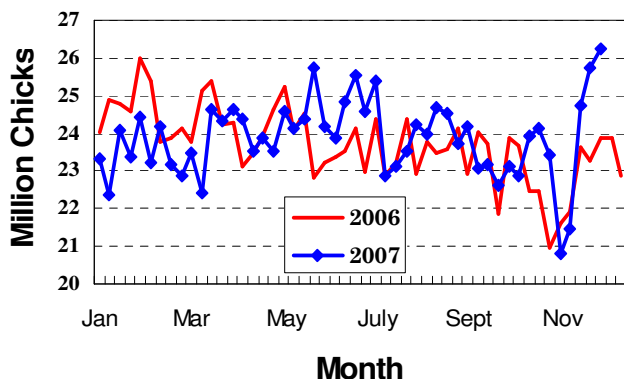
Arkansas hatcheries set 28.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 15, 2007, up 1 percent from the same period last year, and up slightly from the previous week.

Week Ending <sup>1</sup>	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Nov. 10	20,936	23,406	112	21,373	21,389	100	27,851	28,320	102
Nov. 17	21,611	20,800	96	20,972	19,900	95	27,996	28,849	103
Nov. 24	21,929	21,474	98	21,450	21,761	101	27,743	28,940	104
Dec. 1	23,605	24,712	105	23,012	23,576	102	27,887	28,947	104
Dec. 8	23,249	25,744*	111	23,310	23,949*	103	26,712	27,993	105
Dec. 15	23,902	26,250	110	23,025	24,062	105	27,928	28,101	101

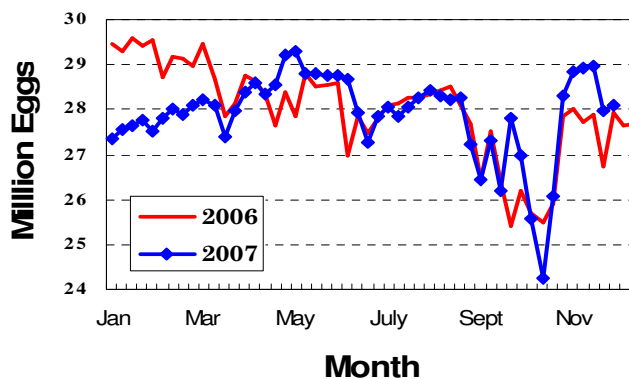
<sup>1</sup> For previous year, it is the comparable week.

\* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006-2007



### Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 17, 2007 - December 15, 2007

State	Eggs Set							Chicks Placed						
	Week Ending							Week Ending						
	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	15-Dec	% 1/		17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	15-Dec	% 1/	
	<i>Thousand</i>							<i>Thousand</i>						
Alabama	32,175	32,336 *	32,561	32,181 *	31,880	105		19,248	19,202	20,717	20,549 *	21,589	107	
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>28,849</b>	<b>28,940</b>	<b>28,947</b>	<b>27,993</b>	<b>28,101</b>	<b>101</b>		<b>20,800</b>	<b>21,474</b>	<b>24,712</b>	<b>25,744 *</b>	<b>26,250</b>	<b>110</b>	
Delaware	4,155	4,161	4,163	4,160	4,163	106		4,910	4,766	4,959	5,106	5,366	123	
Florida	1,361	1,344 *	1,362	1,343	1,344	99		1,126	1,304	1,291	1,341	1,313	78	
Georgia	35,774	36,119	36,181	35,206	36,213	102		27,116	27,515	28,675	29,179	29,652	104	
Kentucky	7,724 *	7,609 *	7,436	7,487	7,691	102		5,704	4,786	5,984 *	6,131 *	6,318	105	
Louisiana	3,924	3,924	3,877	3,923	3,846	103		3,876	3,726	4,114	3,864	3,586	99	
Maryland	7,999	8,715	8,821	8,707	8,669	102		5,379	6,354	6,224	5,607	5,465	82	
Mississippi	18,062	18,478	19,151	18,720	18,924	105		15,844	16,158	17,201	16,461	17,081	106	
N. Carolina	19,230	19,379 *	19,743	18,743 *	19,624	103		15,596	16,367	16,522	16,218 *	16,335	107	
Oklahoma	6,656	6,634	6,709	6,013	6,560	106		5,070	5,279	4,147	4,308	3,797	91	
Pennsylvania	4,339 *	4,374 *	4,364 *	4,149 *	4,064	102		2,934 *	3,150 *	3,168 *	3,270 *	3,223	110	
S. Carolina	5,218	5,610	5,690	5,156	5,607	101		4,618	4,316	4,764	4,985	4,363	97	
Texas	14,433	15,426 *	15,390	15,315	14,733	104		11,426	12,690	13,043	12,135	12,865	106	
Virginia	6,372	6,372	6,353	6,239	6,226	99		4,824	4,819	4,967	4,862	5,206	100	
CA,MO,TN&WV	19,863	19,657	20,494	18,388 *	20,227	102		16,223	17,093	18,064	17,584 *	16,927	99	
19 State Total	216,134 *	219,078 *	221,242 *	213,723 *	217,872			164,694 *	168,999 *	178,552 *	177,344 *	179,336		
Prev. Year Total	211,187	211,184	212,782	207,215	211,893			156,497	162,192	168,076	171,423	172,412		
% of Prev. Year	102	104	104	103	103			105	104	106	103	104		
<b>Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/</b>								5-Jan	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan	2-Feb		

\* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 15, 2007. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler Chicks Placed Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 15, 2007. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through December 15, 2007 were 8.79 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.